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WEDNESDAY, OCT. 26, 1864.

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Eastern opens daily at	7 A M
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" " NOON " "	11 A M
Western, " " "	11 A M
Augusta, " " "	11 A M
Fayetteville, " " "	9 A M
Eagle Rock, Mondays, Thursdays & Saturdays, at	12 M
Carthage, Thursdays at	11 A M
Summerville, Wednesdays at	5 P M
Lenesburg, " "	12 M
Barbee's, " "	12 M
Eastern closes daily at	9 A M
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Western, " " "	9 P M
Augusta, " " "	9 P M
Fayetteville, " "	12½ P M
Eagle Rock, Mondays, Thursdays & Saturdays, at	2 P M
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Lenesburg, Wednesdays at	1 P M
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CITY AND STATE NEWS.

Town Meeting.

At 9 o'clock last night the following proceedings of a meeting were handed us. We did not notice the meeting because we were not requested to do so and knew nothing of its getting up; nor did we attend it for the reason that those who engineered it seemed purposely to have ignored this paper. Whether in our private capacity as citizens, or as the selected instruments of our fellow-citizens, the proprietors of this paper have never refused to contribute their mite; and when we saw a call for a "Town Meeting" in the other daily papers of the city without any intimation of a purpose to hold such a meeting being given to us, we felt, as we do now, that a clique desired to make a noise for their own glorification more than to provide food and fuel for the poor. A few aristocrats in this town may endeavor to ignore the existence of this paper and attempt to degrade and insult its proprietors, but we tell them *they shall feel it*—now and hereafter.

We bid all who are endeavoring to provide food and fuel for the poor, God speed; and promise that when our mite is called for it shall not be withheld. The overlooking of this paper in the call for the town meeting was intentional, and we now give notice to those concerned that we shall take care of ourselves and denounce those who attempt thus covertly to insult us, whenever and wherever our own self-respect requires that we should do it. We ask neither sectarian or political fanatics any odds. And we suppose that the poor of Raleigh know who their friends are:

Town Meeting.—In pursuance to the call in the city papers yesterday morning, a number of the citizens of Raleigh convened at the Court House in the afternoon. The object of the meeting, was, to unite upon some plan for providing the necessaries of subsistence to our people; both as to securing supplies, and to procuring them on some more reasonable terms than the extreme high prices demanded in our Market.

On motion, Hon. John H. Bryan was called to the chair, and A. M. Gorman requested to act as Secretary.

After advisement and consultation between the gentlemen present, on motion of G. W. Mordecai, Esq., it was resolved that a committee be appointed to prepare a plan of action for the promotion of the object had in view by the meeting, and also to elicit the views and interest of our citizens in the enterprise; and to report at a subsequent meeting.

It was further resolved that this committee confer with the city authorities as to the utility of uniting their enterprise of supplying the indigent poor with wood, with the contemplated operations of this proposed organization.

The Chair appointed the following gentlemen the aforementioned committee, viz: Messrs. G. W. Mordecai, T. H. Selby, K. P. Battle, Rev. Dr. Deems, and Rev. W. J. W. Crowder.

The meeting then adjourned, subject to the call of the chairman.

New Advertisements.—Tucker, Andrews & Co—Offer for sale a large lot of unclaimed baggage from the N C. Railroad; also a rockaway and harness.

Waterhouse & Bowes—Notice to gas consumers.

Creech & Litchford, Auctioneers—Valuable negro boy for sale.

Gov. his Spurs.—We are glad to see that Maj. W. W. Pierce, Chief Q. M. for this district, has been presented with a handsome pair of spurs, manufactured by Mr. Mahler, of this city. We know no one more worthy of a good pair of spurs, for all who have occasion to observe the official conduct of the Major know that he is untiring in the discharge of the arduous duties of his position. A correspondent of the *Confederate*, alluding to the spurs, says:

A more beautiful pair of Spurs than those manufactured by Mr. Mahler, in this city, cannot be produced; as any one can be assured of by calling at the office of Major W. W. Pierce, in this city. And, by the way, I will take occasion to remark, that the gentlemanly conduct and marked ability of this officer, recommends him to the regard of the many persons with whom he has to deal. His consideration for the private soldier who has to transact business with him, in an especial manner, deserves commendation, in these days of official consequence.

The Charlotte *Democrat* says that the ruling price for Soogho Syrup in that market is $8 to $10 a gallon. Why is it $15 to $20 here in Raleigh? Are we doomed to suffer more than any other people in the State?

Yankee Caught.—The Iredell *Express* says:

On Tuesday night last a couple of "blue bellies," who had escaped from the prison in Salisbury, were captured by Mr. James A. McLaughlin, one of the night watch in this place, and turned over to Capt Mannie's company. On taking the down train Friday night, one of them attempted to escape from the guard that had them in charge, when he was fired upon and received a severe wound in the leg. They were safely conducted to their old quarters.

Sad Accident.—The *Confederate* says Mr. Matthew Cooper, a citizen of this county while engaged on the 19th in grinding sugar cane at his residence near this place, had his left hand caught between the rollers of the mill and terribly mutilated, so much so that amputation was deemed necessary. He was brought to this city and taken to Pettigrew Hospital, where the operation was skillfully performed by Surgeon E. Burke Haywood. Mr. Cooper is quite an old man, and his misfortune will fall heavily upon his family at this time.

Southern Energy.—The Salisbury *Watchman* says:

The "Catawba," the engine on the Western N. C. Rail Road which the Kirk raiders attempted to destroy, has been completely overhauled, and reconstructed, and is now one of the most superb engines in the Southern Confederacy. The credit of the excellent job—excellent in all points, including painting, lettering and gilding—is due the Car Shops attached to this Road, located in this town. This engine has made several trips within the last few days, and has performed admirably. So much for Southern skill and industry, and for the energy of Chief Engineer Wilson, and his competent workmen in the Company's Shops.

Sugar Dye.—A correspondent of the Charleston *Courier* writes as follows:

"A few days ago I was boiling syrup, when I had one pot idle. I had water put in it, and sent to the field for a small armful of sorgho sugar cane, cut as it was cut off, and put it in the pot to see whether it would boil soft. To my surprise, I found the water became very red, when a thought struck me that it might be used for dying, and I put a little wool in it. In about ten minutes I took it out, and found it to be of a beautiful brown color. Enclosed I send a sample to let the public have the benefit of it, that other discoveries or experiments may be made."

From the Confederate.]

GRIMES' BRIGADE.

List of casualties in Grimes' N. C. Brigade, at Winchester on the 19th of Sept. and also the 22d of Sept. at Fisher's Hill.

53D REGIMENT N. C. TROOPS.

Field and Staff—Killed—Adjt Wm B Osborne.
Wounded—Col Jas T Morehead.

Co A—Killed—Wm Amick.
Wounded—Capt J M Sutton (commanding sharpshooters) Lt J W Scott, P P Baldwin, J V Devault, J M Jobe, H M Brown, W P Cook, Wm Grierson, T G McLean, J A May, Wm M Phillips, J E Shepherd, T Shepherd, A N Woodyard and R A Fleming.
Missing—R Sutton, J Tickle, D Huffins, P Mullen, Jno Stewart, B Baldwin and J Whitesell.

Co B—Killed—Sergt R A Davis.
Wounded—T A McKinsey, J A Kirkpatrick, J Robertson and S E Todd.
Missing—W S Eagle, L Armstrong, P S Winders, S R Wilson, J Williamson and S M Howie.

Co D—Killed—Jas Bruce and Sam Longworth.
Wounded—Jas Downing, H F Brindle, Jas L Hall, M Smith, L Houser, C Houser, Lt A W Westmoreland, wounded and captured.
Missing—J L Johnson, R Gardener, R T Fallen, B D Sessoms, S L Houser, S C Morris and J Mitchel.

Co E—Wounded—J J Taylor and C E Taylor.
Missing—Lt J A Hills, J A Patterson, L Tickle, James Tickle, C M Short, E Owens, J Taylor and J Gowins.

Co F—Killed—Lt J M Holt and Wm Steele.
Wounded—Capt A J Albright, C D Holt, H W Steele, G W Insley and M Clapp.
Missing—S Thompson, J Johnston, W G Gaster, John Fogleman, D Gerton, W C Hornaday, J Pickel, Wm Robinson, Wm Richardson, J Isley and Wm Smith.

Co G—Wounded—Capt J W Pierson, M C Martin, R C Hart, P Farmer and L T Burge.
Missing—Lt H H Campbell, — Chamberlin.

Co H—Killed—B F Orr and B G Stevenson.
Wounded—Capt J E Hiller, J Bullen, A M Boyle, R W Flinchum, C Mansel and S W Southern.
Missing—W Cuffer, T M Baker, J W Southern, M V Bullen and M Hicks.

Co I—Wounded—T J Rivers, J J Ross, H H Gady, J B Griffin, A T Marsh and J H Trull.
Missing—Lt J D Cuthbertson, C E Brown, D M Price, W D Morgan, W C Liles and U Tadlock.

Co K—Wounded—Lt T C Land, J Miller, A B West, J A McNeil, H Taylor, R Walker, J L Dockery, S Watson, J P Lipps, W C Fletcher, L Watson and D Byers.

RECAPITULATION.

Killed,	9
Wounded,	51
Missing,	59
Total,	119

2D N. C. BATTALION.

Co A—Killed—E G Cox.
Wounded—J Ferrace, J Collins, Wm Hester, D Bundrant, Wm Southern, J Smith and Wm Cheatham.
Missing—B B Lawson, H Carter, S Nelson, Wm Nelson, Wm Bundrant, G H Manning, C N Robertson, Peter Smith and Noah Smith.

Co B—Wounded—Capt L J Norman, R Donnigan, R Sartin, H Crase and N Wall.

Co F—Wounded—M H Moffat, C Hicks, L Slack, Wm Asbel, J Richardson and J H Albertson.
Missing—J M Branson, G Hill, A Jarrell, Wm Vancanum, Lt T W Andrews, E K Moffat, J Richardson, P Reeves, A Upton and J Rich.

Co H—Wounded—A Bright, J A Keener and James Lewis.
Missing—P Morgan, D H Gowan, Joseph Marsh and W A Cogdill.

Co G—Killed—Lt Shields.
Wounded—I Brown, R Brown, A Howard, E Blackburn, S Delapp, S Payne, J Wilson and E Davis.

RECAPITULATION.

Killed,	9
Wounded,	30
Missing,	24
Total,	56

We never see a red nose but we think of the lines of the quaint old Peter Pindar:

"Thus when you see a nose so red
It is as day-light clear,
That ruby nose is not maintained
On porter or small beer."

THE DAILY PROGRESS.

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ADVERTISING RATES.

The following rates will be charged for all advertisements inserted in the *Daily* and *Weekly Progress*:

ONE SQUARE [illegible] LINES, OR LESS.

One day	$1 00	One week	$10 00
Two days	1 50	Two weeks	18 00
Three days	2 00	Three weeks	24 00
Four days	2 50	One month	36 00
Five days	3 00	Two months	72 00
		Three months	144 00

Fifty words, or over three lines, count a square, and additions will be charged the same. Advertisements inserted once, twice or three times a week will be charged $1 a square for every insertion.

When sent by letter, the money must accompany the advertisement. Marriages, Deaths, Religious and other Notices charged as advertisements, and must be paid in advance.

Hire of laborer, common hireling, per month 75 00
Hire of laborer, mechanic or factory girl, per month 37 00
Hire of horse, per day 1 50

The commissioners earnestly beg leave to say that in the present practice, the producer should be allowed to retain a certain part of their surplus, to be sold at market rates, to meet not their necessary plantation supplies, which they have to purchase at high market prices. They are utterly full upon the farmers to bring forward as much corn now so necessary to the support of the army in their immediate front, and which alone will prevent the foe in the enemy, of all their crops, stock, negroes, &c., &c. The commissioners would also recommend that the impressment should be universal and uniform, leaving out no one.

For the information of all persons concerned, we publish the following instructions, with the hope that they will be strictly complied with.

"No officer, or agent, shall impress the necessary supplies which any person may have for the consumption of himself, his family, employees, slaves, or to carry on his ordinary mechanical, manufacturing or agricultural employments."

The next meeting of the Board will be held in the Senate Chamber, in the City of Raleigh, on Monday, the 5th day of December next, unless sooner changed in pressing exigents must furnish good and satisfactory reasons for disapproval by appeal, or the award of local appraisers will be approved. All communications should be addressed to the Secretary of the Board, Raleigh, N. C.

(Signed) H. K. BURGWYN
Gaylesboro', N. C.
R. V. BLACKLOCK,
Stocks, N. C.
Com'n Appraisement for State of N. C.

Geo. W. Mordecai, Umpire.
Raleigh, Oct. 5, 1864-tf

AUCTION AND PRIVATE SALES.

FOR SALE.

65 SACKS OF PRIME VIRGINIA SALT, OR WILL exchange one bushel of Salt for three bushels of NEW CORN, both Corn and Salt delivered at my Mills, on Neuse River.
Oct 19-tf W. R. RICHARDSON

FOR SALE.

A HOUSE AND LOT IN THE CITY OF RALEIGH, of sufficient capacity for a large family.
Apply to W. R. RICHARDSON.
Oct 19-tf

FOR SALE.

BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WAKE IN SUMS to suit purchasers.
Oct 5-tf W. R. RICHARDSON & CO.

FOR SALE.

10 BALE COTTON SEED OIL.
MILLER & RICHARDSON.
Sept 26-tf

FOR SALE.

FRENCH MOUNTAIN BUTTER ON CONSIGNMENT at J. M. TOWLES'.
Sept 23-tf

FOR SALE.

NORTH CAROLINA 6 PER CENT. BONDS OLD issue. Also new N. C. 6 per cent. Bonds.
Sept. 19-tf W. R. RICHARDSON & CO.

FOR SALE.

N. C. COUPONS OF OLD 6 PER CENT. BONDS. Bullion and Coin.
Confederate Bonds.
Sept 23-tf W. R. RICHARDSON & CO.

FOR SALE.

WRAPPING PAPER FOR SALE. APPLY AT Progress office. Sept 19-tf

FOR SALE.

SEVEN SHARES OF STOCK IN BANK OF CAPE Fear.
Sept 19-tf W. R. RICHARDSON & Co.

2,000 LBS. SUPERIOR BONE BLACK FOR SALE.

THE ABOVE ARTICLE IS USED FOR THE MANufacture of Blacking and black painting of every kind. Railroad Companies would do well to purchase it to paint Engines and Cars with. It is equal in quality to Patent Black.
Sept 7-tf A. JOHNSON, Raleigh, N. C.

DOORKEEPERSHIP TO THE SENATE.

THE SUBSCRIBER RESPECTFULLY ANNOUNCES himself a CANDIDATE for the office of PRINCIPAL DOORKEEPER to the next SENATE of North Carolina. He has been in the war ever since April, 1861, and is now disabled and on light duty. If elected he pledges himself to a faithful discharge of duty.
October 25-dtd W. J. SAUNDERS.
Confederate, Conservative, Fayetteville Observer, Wilmington Journal, and Salisbury Watchman please copy and send accounts to W. J. S., Raleigh.

A NEW BOOK—THE BATTLE OF GREAT BETHEL.

BY FRANK I. WILSON.

THIS LITTLE VOLUME WILL BE READY IN A few days, well printed on fine, white English paper. Every North Carolinian should have a copy. Price $1 50 per single copy; 5 copies for $7; and 10 copies for $12 50. On the receipt of the money the work will be sent free of postage.
Address FRANK I. WILSON, Raleigh, N. C.

Newspapers in the State copying the above, or noticing editorially, by sending me a marked copy, will have the book sent to them free of postage. F. I. W.
Sept 30-tf

SUPERIOR WHITE CANDLES

CONSTANTLY ON HAND AND FOR SALE.—Highest market price paid for Beeswax and Tallow.
Mrs. ALBERT JOHNSTON,
Sept 5-dtf Hillsboro' st. Raleigh, N. C.

PRINTING!

THE

"DAILY PROGRESS OFFICE,"

Having a good assortment of Material, an extensive variety of type and one of the finest

POWER PRESSES

In the Confederacy, is prepared to turn out all kinds of

Job Printing

In the best style of the art and at prices as reasonable as can be afforded in these times.

We promise that all work entrusted to us shall be promptly, neatly and expeditiously executed. Orders solicited. J. R. PENNINGTON & CO.
Raleigh, June 18, 1864.

SURGERY FOR FIELD AND HOSPITAL.

I AM NOW PREPARED TO SUPPLY MY WORK on Surgery to subscribers and others who may wish to purchase it.

On the receipt of $6 00, the book will be sent by mail postage paid. EDWARD WARREN, M. D.,
Aug 21-tf Raleigh, N. C.

WOOD! WOOD!

WANTED TO CONTRACT WITH SOME PERSON to deliver one to two hundred Cords of wood on the Raleigh and Gaston or North Carolina Railroad, within twenty or thirty miles of Raleigh. Apply to
Sept 6-tf EDITOR OF PROGRESS.

$50 REWARD.

STRAYED OR STOLEN FROM MY PREMISES, near Morrisville, N. C., a BLACK MARE MULE, one year old last spring; has a white nose—tail and mane trimmed. Said mule disappeared the last of June or the first of July. The above reward will be paid for her delivery to me or for information so that I can get her.
Oct 6-dtf&wtf CALVIN D. EDWARDS.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The Rev. T. H. BLACKWOOD will preach a Masonic Funeral on the 4th Sunday in the present month, of L. M. MATTHEWS, late of the late residence of said Matthews, seven miles Northeast of Raleigh.

Masons are invited by the widow to attend.
Oct. 19-4t.

OUR ONLY TERMS.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES TO THE PROGRESS—INDUCEMENT TO RAISE CLUBS.

The following terms of subscription to the Progress, commencing the 1st of October, will be strictly adhered to in all cases, and all money received will be credited in accordance with these figures:

Daily paper, one month	$2 50 00
" " Three months	15 00
" " One month	5 00
Weekly paper, three months	5 00
" " six months	10 00

To any person sending us five subscribers to the Daily or Weekly paper, for three or six months, we will send a copy of the paper for the same length of time, *gratis*.

Persons not convenient to an Express Office may send money by mail without much risk. The paper is stopped in all cases when the time paid for expires, and subscribers should note the time or watch for the Cross Mark and renew before the time runs out, and then they will not miss the paper.

WOOL NOTICE.

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT,
Raleigh, June 3, 1864.

I AM NOW PREPARED TO EXCHANGE COTTON Yarn for Wool, upon the following terms, viz:

One bunch of Yarn for three pounds washed Wool, and one bunch for four pounds unwashed.

Agents have been appointed to make the exchange at the following places: Oxford, Tarboro', Kinston, Catherine Lake, Concord, Richingham, Hendersonville, Statesville, Rockford, Asheville, Pittsboro', Louisburg, Fayetteville, Charlotte, and at this place.

Persons shipping wool to this place will please mark on the package who they are from, and the cotton yarn will be forwarded immediately.

I hope the people will patriotically respond to the above notice, as the Wool is for clothing the N. C. Troops.

H. A. DOWD, A. Q. M., N. C. A.
July 2-dtwtf

WANTED

A GOOD GRIST MILLER OVER FIFTY YEARS OF age. Apply to
Oct 21-tf W. R. RICHARDSON.

CARD NOTICE.

THERE IS NOW READY TO BE ISSUED FROM this Department to the different counties in the State, a large lot of COTTON AND WOOL CARDS. This lot of Cards will be sent to the Agents, with Books ready for tacking the Cards on, and may be sold at $22 50 per pair to the citizens generally; but no instance is there than one pair to be sold to a family. These cards are not intended for the families of soldiers. The Department is having a large lot hacked ready for use, which will be sent out and sold to the families of soldiers as fast as they can be made, at a much less price. Agents are requested to make arrangements and call for them.

H. A. DOWD, A. Q. M.
Oct 21-tf w&t.

State papers copy; Dallies six times other four times and forward bill to Maj Dowd.

AXES! AXES! AXES!

WE WILL PAY FROM $6 TO $7 FOR OLD AXES, or will put steel in one axe for two old ones. 5 and 6 inch Stove Pipes made to order.
SHAY, WILLIAMSON & CO.,
Oct 20-1w North State Iron and Brass Works.

W. R. RICHARDSON & CO.,

BROKERS AND STOCK AUCTIONEERS,

RESPECTFULLY SOLICIT CONSIGNMENTS.
Oct 20-tf RALEIGH, N. C.

LOST,

ON THE STREET, BETWEEN MY RESIDENCE and the Grave Yard, on Sunday afternoon, a pair of GOLD SPECTACLES, for which a liberal reward will be paid if left at the Progress office or returned to me.
Oct 17-tf MRS. C. P. PENNINGTON.

WANTED,

GOLD AND SILVER.
Bank Notes.
N. C. Treasury Notes,
Sept 22-tf W. R. RICHARDSON & CO.

SKETCHES OF NASSAU.

BY FRANK I. WILSON.

THIS WORK, OF ABOUT 100 PAGES, IS NOW in the hands of the printer, and will be ready soon. It embraces what the writer either saw or heard from reliable sources, and will be printed on fine white paper.

Some of the contents are: Nassau as it was, and as it is; Population; White Folks; Colored Population; Soil; Products; Stock; Dogs; Chicken Cocks; Lying at Quarantine; Government; Shipping; Squalls; Musquitoes; Sharks, and other Ocean Products; The Parson on Sea-Sickness, &c., &c.

Sent free of postage for $2 per copy; five or more copies to one address $1 50 per copy. Send orders to
FRANK I. WILSON.

Papers in the State publishing the above will have a copy of the work sent them free of postage.
Oct 12-tf

NOTICE.

ON THE FIRST DAY OF NOVEMBER 1864, IT being Tuesday, I will, as Executor of Wm. Holloway, dec'd., sell on a credit of twelve months, to be paid in any funds that can be used in settling the estate, all the crop of wheat, corn and oats, some fine horses, cattle and hogs—two wagons, carts, blacksmiths tools, &c., &c.

On the same day and upon the same terms I will rent two good plantations. They are situated about nine miles northwest of Raleigh.

Bond and approved security will be required of purchasers and renters.
SOL. WIGGINS,
Oct 10-dtd Executor.

LEAD WANTED.

$2,00 PER POUND WILL BE PAID FOR ALL Lead delivered at
Sept 8-tf PROGRESS OFFICE.

CITY OF RALEIGH.

Mayor—Wm. H. Harrison.

COMMISSIONERS.

Western Ward—W. H. Tucker, Alex. Creech and P Overby.
Middle Ward—W. R. Richardson, Augustus L. Lougee and S. W. Scott.
Eastern Ward—Dr. W. H. McKee, J. J. Overby and N. S. Harp.

Jas J. Christopher is Clerk to the Board and City Tax Collector.
W. R. Richardson is City Treasurer.
Town Constables—J. J. Betts, Chief—N. V. Dento Assistant.
K. P. Battle, City Attorney.
J L Pennington, City Printer.
P. G. King, Weigh Master.

NIGHT WATCH.

Captain—C. H. Horton.
Watchmen—E. A. Johnston, Wm. Beevers, Wm. C. Parker, M. G. Lester, C. A. Driver and Wm. Gumby.

The last Wednesday night of each month is the time fixed for the regular meetings of the Board.

☞ Any of our friends receiving important news from the army by private letter or telegram, will confer a great favor on us by sending or leaving them at this office for our use.

SCHEDULE OF PRICES FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF APPRAISEMENTS for the State of North Carolina feel great satisfaction in presenting their Schedule of Prices for the next sixty days, in that the great abundance of most of our crops, with the improved condition of our finances, and consequent increased security for our currency, enables them without injury to the producers, to lower the prices of the prime necessaries of life to the soldier, and it is to be hoped to the indigent of our country. This lowering of prices must again set in motion the value of the national currency, by diminishing the debt of the country. The want of confidence in the worth of the currency is created as it has been by the rapacious greed of individuals of ALL classes, and especially of the cotton Factorian, as lately so strongly exhibited by the Railroad Companies, has greatly contributed to this. Scarcity of food can no longer be alleged for high prices, as there is abundance in the country, and it only remains to show whether our people in sustaining our wise and patriotic Treasurer—Mr. Trenholm—in his efforts hitherto so successful in putting our financial matters on a secure footing, will sustain the Government of their choice. The Commissioners also congratulate themselves and the country that they have been aided by a consultation with one of the Virginia Commissioners, by whose aid, and that of Mr. George W. Mordecai, they have been able to bring about an almost identical Schedule with the neighboring State of Virginia:

Apples, dried,	good, peeled, per bush 28 lbs	$5 00
do	unpeeled, per bush 28 lbs	2 50
Axes,	with handles, each,	12 00
do	without handles, each,	10 00
Bacon,	per pound, hog round,	2 75
Beans,	white or cornfield, per bush 60 pounds,	5 00
Brandy,	apple, per gallon,	10 00
do	peach, per gallon,	10 00
Beef,	fresh, nett per pound,	80
do	fresh, gross, per pound,	40
do	salted, per pound,	1 50
Candles,	tallow, per pound,	2 00
do	adamantine, per pound,	3 75
Chains,	trace, per pair,	11 00
Cloth,	woollen for soldiers clothes, 3-4 yard wide, 10 oz. to yard, and pro rata as to greater or less weight or width, per yard,	6 00
Cotton,	raw, per lb,	1 00
Coffee,	Rio, per pound,	4 50
Corn,	unshelled, per bush. 70 lbs,	4 50
do	shelled, sacks not included, per bush 56 lbs,	5 00
Corn Meal,	sacks not included, per bush of 50 pounds,	5 20
Drills,	cotton, 7-8 yd wide, 3 yards to pound, per yd,	90
Flour,	extra family, per bbl 196 lbs,	45 00
"	extra superfine, per bbl 196 lbs,	42 25
"	superfine, per bbl 196 lbs,	37 50
"	fine, per barrel of 196 lbs,	33 75
Fodder,	bales, per 100 pounds,	4 00
"	unbaled, per 100 pounds,	3 50
Hats,	wool, each,	5 00
Hay,	baled, per 100 pounds,	4 00
"	unbaled, per 100 pounds,	3 50
Hides,	dry, extra, per pound	3 00
Hides,	" "	2 50
do	green, per pound,	1 50
Horses,	artillery, 1st class, per head,	1,000 00
do	artillery, 2d class, per head,	800 00
Iron,	Pig, No 1, per ton, 2,000 lbs	350 00
do	Pig, No 2, per ton, 2,000 lbs	314 00
do	Pig, No 3, per ton, 2,000 lbs	278 00
do	Bloom, per ton, 2,000 lbs	710 00
do	Smith's square or round per ton of 2,000 lbs	1,000 00
do	serviceable railroad, per ton of 2,240 pounds	400 00
Jeans,	wool domestic, per yard	10 00
Kettles,	camp, iron, per pound,	30
Lumber,	good, per 1,000 feet	40 00
Lard,	per pound	2 75
Leather,	sole, per pound	6 00
do	upper, per pound	7 00
do	harness, per pound	7 00
Molasses,	cane, per gallon	5 00
do	sorghum, per gallon	5 00
Mules,	1st class, per head,	1,000 00
do	2d class, per head	800 00
do	3d class, per head	500 00
Nails,	per keg	100 00
Oats,	sheaf, baled, per 100 lbs	5 25
do	sheaf, unbaled, per 100 lbs	4 50
do	baled, per 100 lbs	5 25
do	shelled, per bushel	4 00
Osnaburgs,	cotton, 3-4 yards wide, 7 oz to yard, per yard,	1 50
do	cotton, 7-8 yard wide, 8 oz to yard, per yard,	1 75
Onions,	per bushel,	3 00
Peas,	cow, per bush of 60 lbs	5 00
Potatoes,	Irish, per bush of 60 lbs	4 00
do	sweet, per bush of 60 lbs	4 00
Peach's dried,	per bush of 33 lbs	3 50
do	unpeeled, per bush of 33 lbs	5 00
Pork,	fresh, nett, per pound,	1 25
do	salted, per pound,	2 50
Pasturage,	1st quality, near town, per head, per month,	8 00
do	common, near town, per month,	5 00
do	1st quality, in the country, per head, per month,	7 00
do	common, in country, per head, per month,	4 00
Quinine,	good, per ounce,	56 00
Rice,	new, per pound,	50
do	old, per pound,	40
Rye,	good, per bush of 56 lbs,	5 00
Sacks,	two bushels, osnaburgs, each,	3 00
Shirting,	cotton, 34 yard wide, 4½ yards to pound, per yard,	1 30
do	cotton, 7-8 yard wide, 3¾ yard to pound, per yard,	1 10
Cotton stripe,	3 yards to pound, per yd	1 75
Salt,	Coast, per buse of 50 lbs,	20 00
do	Liverpool, per bush of 50 lbs,	35 00
do	Virginia, per bush of 50 lbs,	25 00
Steel,	cast, per pound,	8 00
Shoes,	army, per pair,	10 00
Shoe thread,	flax, per pound,	10 00
Socks,	soldier's wool, per pair,	2 00
Sheep,	fat, per head,	35 00
Sugar,	brown common, per lb,	3 00
Soap,	hard, per pound,	1 00
do	soft, per pound,	75
Shucks,	baled, 100 lbs,	4 00
Shorts,	good, per bush of 22 lbs,	75
Ship stuff,	good pc. bush of 37 lbs,	1 40
Tea,	black, per pound,	5 00
do	green, per pound,	8 00
Tent cloth,	cotton, 10 oz. to yd, per yard,	1 50
Tobacco,	No 1, extra,	3 00
do	No 1,	2 50
do	No 2,	1 75
do	Lugs,	1 25
Tallow,	clean, per pound,	2 50
Vinegar,	cider, per gallon,	2 00
do	manufactured, per gal	1 00
Whiskey,	good, per gallon	10 00
Wheat,	good, per bush of 60 lbs	7 50
do	bran, per bush of 17 lbs	50
Wheat straw,	baled, per 100 lbs	1 50
do do	unbaled, per 100 lbs	1 00
Wool,	washed, per pound	3 00
do	unwashed, per pound	6 00
Wagons,	wood axle, 4 horse, new, each	350 00
"	wood axle, 2 horse, new each	250 00
Yarn,	cotton, per bunch of 5 lbs	3 00

HIRE OF LABOR, TEAMS, WAGONS AND MOULDS.

Baling long forage, per hundred pounds	75
Shelling and bagging corn, sacks furnished by government, per bushel,	25
Hire of two horse teams, wagon and driver, rations furnished by owner, per day,	10 00
Hire of two horse teams, wagon and driver, rations furnished by government, per day	5 00
Hire of four horse teams, wagon and driver, rations furnished by owner, per day,	15 00
Hire of four horse teams, wagon and driver, rations furnished by the government, per day	7 50
Hire of six horse teams, wagon and driver, rations furnished by owner, per day	20 00
Hire of six horse teams, wagon and driver, rations furnished by government, per day	10 00
Hire of laborer, rations furnished by owner, per day	3 00
Hire of laborer, rations furnished by government, per day	1 50

DAILY PROGRESS.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 26, 1864.

Wilmington.

No town in the country has a more intelligent, energetic and patriotic population than Wilmington, and should they be called upon, to ward off the shock of battle, now sweltering on Cape Fear, we doubt not but they will prove themselves worthy of the high reputation they have enjoyed. The people of Wilmington have so far, been peculiarly blessed, for until the present time their town has not only been free from the ravages and all the horrors of the presence of contending armies, but it has not been even seriously menaced. They have continued their trade and traffic, they have preserved their property, and many of them have made money; and now that the tug of war is about to come there should not be any flinching—every man able to help defend the place, whether a naturalized citizen or not, as he has been permitted to reap there and garner his business since the commencement of the struggle, should cheerfully bear his part. And we hope and believe they will.

The military authorities are thinking hourly for the appearance of the enemy, and it has been thought best to advise the ladies and children, and other non-combatants, to seek safety elsewhere. This is a most serious and perplexing dilemma, and each head of a family must be his own judge as to what is best for him to do.—Should the place fall into the hands of the enemy those who remain will regret it, and whether it fall or not, those who leave will soon wish themselves back. We know not what to advise. The winter is at hand, house room is scarce, provisions can only be had at enormous prices, and those who become refugees now, even if able to command a liberal supply of currency, must expect rather a hard time of it. And at the same time to stay, and be locked over by Federal negroes will be terrible. Let us hope that Wilmington is not to fall A. P. A.

We have no advices from the fleet, but fairly think the fleet has gone to Beaufort harbor. Whether it does leave, however, should its destination be Wilmington, within twenty-four hours or less it will be off the mouth of Cape Fear and with a gun-shot of the forts commanding the entrances to Wilmington.

Speculating on the apprehended attack on Wilmington, the *Journal* of Monday says:

Northern Rumor assigns to Admiral Porter the command of the North Atlantic Blockading Squadron, and, per consequence, of the naval expedition, destined to operate against this port. Porter was not long since in New York, in consultation with the naval and military authorities there, said to be with the object of concerting measures for some important expedition.

With the exception of Farragut, Porter is the most enterprising and successful of the Yankee naval commanders. Without exception, he is said to be the most ruthless, as the vandals on the Mississippi bear witness. Farragut is a Tennessean, and is said to be, as far as the nature of the service he is engaged in will permit, courteous and gentlemanly.

What land forces may be intended to cooperate with the naval expedition under Porter is what we have no means of ascertaining, neither can we form any conjecture as to how it is proposed that such a force should advance, whether it is intended that it should march over land from the Yankee lines at Newbern or Beaufort, or should be brought in steamers and an attempt made to effect a descent upon some part of the coast north or south of the forts. The prevalence of Yellow Fever at Newbern and Beaufort would seem to forbid, or at least postpone for a week or two the former plan. The prospect of rough weather bids fair to interfere with the latter. Never can hardly prevail at Newbern beyond the Autumnal in November—say two weeks from this date.

It is a little strange that the Yankee papers should so boldly and plainly proclaim the designs entertained against this place. It is true, an attack upon Wilmington would be popular in certain sections of the North where secession exists created by the exploits of the Tallahassee, and by the report that other vessels are about to issue from the harbor of Wilmington, which is denounced as a nest of pirates.

But we must remember that this is the way with the Northern papers. They boastingly proclaim in advance what is to be done; and the waste of it is they often succeed in carrying out their programme. So we need not say that because of the promiscuous given to this projected attack upon us, such attack will not be made, but the contrary. Possibly it may be intended only as a ruse, a feint to draw off troops from Lee. But we must not calculate much on that either. Better make up our minds to meet the shock as best we may. If happily it should be turned aside or should prove less violent than was feared or anticipated, so much the better. It can do no harm to be prepared, and, indeed, all the information received from the best sources tells us to look out—to expect attack and be ready to meet it. We know not the hour when the shrieking of cannon may warn us that it has commenced.

The *Intervention* speaks by which the Governors who assembled in August last week, propose to convert slaves into soldiers meets the approval of the Richmond *Sentinel*, the President's chief organ. The *Sentinel* says:

The Governors also recommend it to the Confederate Government to send all able bodied State employees into the field, and to replace in their stations with persons, male and female. They further propose a system of action in reference to slaves near the enemy's lines, and the employment of slaves in the Confederate service, which is eminently proper, and is nevertheless with a growing sentiment among the people.

On the whole we think the conferences of the Governors will be productive of much good.

"We were pained to hear the Minister say, at the Church where we worshipped on Sabbath last, that there was need for [illegible] at the Prayer meeting [illegible] complained [illegible] that there would be [illegible]

This arose no doubt to a discourse delivered at the M. E. Church on last Sabbath morning, and of the strong points and appropriateness of which we have heard many speak. It was delivered by a man whose eminent piety and consistent walk entitle him, universally respected, but he does not look at speculation as we do even by members of his own church, and he has that moral courage so ruthlessly characterized in his Master's career on earth, to rebuke all evil doers wherever found. If the utterances of the distinguished gentleman have been correctly represented to us he said more or less to offend the self-righteous Pharisee than we did in an article published some weeks ago, and for which we were most violently, personally and vindictively assailed by one of the religious persuasion.

But we will confess that when prominent church members are seen prowling over the land seeking whom they may devour by speculation and extortion, and high officials are seen reeling from the effects of strong drink, it is hard for the patriot or christian to have *faith* that God will bless our country. We have no disposition to sermonize, but it is very gratifying to know that sentiments very similar to those for which we have been denounced, are now being uttered from the pulpit

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THE BATTLES IN THE VALLEY.

BOTH SIDES BADLY WORSTED.

PRISONERS TAKEN—CONFEDERATE AND YANKEE ACCOUNTS, &c., &c.

Fourteen hundred and twenty Yankee prisoners, taken in the Valley, have arrived at Richmond. The *Examiner* of Monday gives the following account of the fight on the 19th:

From officers of Gen. Early's army, who came down with the Yankee prisoners, captured at Cedar Creek, we gather some particulars of the late fight in the Valley.—On Tuesday, the 18th, Early lay at Fisher's Hill with two corps of Sheridan's army in his front on the north side of Cedar Creek. Another corps, the Ninth, (Wright's old corps) was between Middletown and Newtown. Sheridan himself was at Winchester, and his cavalry a little withdrawn from the front. The two corps on Cedar Creek were heavily fortified on the left (looking towards Middletown) of the turnpike, but their works on the right of the road were incomplete.

This being the situation, Early determined to attack, and if possible, to surprise the forces on Cedar Creek.—Accordingly on Tuesday, at midnight, he marched out from Fisher's Hill to the stone bridge, which crosses the creek at the foot of the hill. Here his army was divided, the larger column moving to the right of the turnpike, the lesser to the left—the object being a simultaneous attack on both flanks of the enemy. In order to flank the enemy's works on the right (their left) of the road, it was necessary to march the larger column through a narrow pass in the mountains, where two men could not walk abreast. Thus, marching in single file, the whole night was consumed before the large column found itself in proper position to make the attack. Meantime the column which had turned to the left, having a good road to march on, arrived at its destination much sooner than that on the right, and the commander, impatient of delay, ordered the attack some ten or twenty minutes before the other wing of our army was ready to co-operate. But for this, the capture of prisoners would have been very much larger. As it was, the enemy were taken completely by surprise; two divisions stampeded without firing a gun, and not one of the eighteen captured cannon was discharged. The whole camp, exceedingly rich with spoil, was captured, and this abundant booty seems to have had the same effect on Early's men that the fat camp at Chilhowee had on Beauregard's. Many of them lagged behind in order to plunder, and those who pressed forward at Early's order threw away a lingering look behind.

The enemy attempted once or twice to make a stand, but were driven in utter rout to Middletown, leaving the ground strewn with their dead and dying, with countless guns, knapsacks, blankets, etc. Sheridan returning to the battle from Winchester, threw forward the Ninth corps to the relief of the shattered Eighth and Nineteenth, just as Early was in the act of withdrawing his exhausted men from Middletown. At the same moment he hurled his cavalry upon both our flanks. Our line gave way, and the turnpike being crowded with cannon, they were abandoned. The retreat continued rapidly to Cedar Creek, two miles from Middletown, and there only, the enemy being too much worsted to make a vigorous pursuit.

Our principal loss was in cannon. We lost a number of prisoners, but they consisted almost without an exception, of wounded men and a few teamsters and cannon drivers. The enemy were soundly thrashed and they know it. The sudden reverse in our fortunes is attributable to the over eagerness of pursuit, the exhausted condition of our men, the want of discipline in a portion of our cavalry, and last, but not least, the allurements of the enemy's rich camp. We attempted to do too much, that is all. If we had withdrawn at two o'clock, the victory would have proved the most brilliant that has ever been achieved in the Valley. Early by no means feels defeated, as Sheridan may discover before very many days. General Ramseur was mortally wounded and has since died in the enemy's hands. The gallant General Battle, of Alabama, was wounded in the leg, and is now in Richmond. Fifteen hundred prisoners taken in this battle reached the city yesterday morning, and four hundred more are said to be on their way.

NORTHERN ACCOUNT.

The *Herald* of the 20th and 21st gives the following interesting particulars:

The Fight in the Valley—Account of the Enemy's Surprise—Appearance of Sheridan on the Ground—Almost capture from General Early.

The *Herald* of the 21st is full of accounts of the fight near Strasburg on Wednesday last, illustrated with maps, &c. It appears that the Confederates had the enemy completely routed, but made a halt after crossing Cedar creek; and, in the meantime, Sheridan, who had been absent on a visit to Washington, arrived on the ground and reformed his scattered troops. In the first portion of the fight the Yankees admit a loss of five thousand, with Gen. Bidwell killed, and Generals Wright, Ricketts and Grover wounded. A letter in the *Herald* says of our attack on Wednesday:

At a given signal (as we afterwards learned) the enemy advanced rapidly in solid columns of regiments. Our pickets were charged—some of them captured and some of them driven in—hardly before they had time to discharge their muskets. In fact, of what few pickets did come in, the enemy came in so soon after, and so close to them, that it was near a tie as to which parties warned the slumbering camp of the army of the danger near at hand.

Having driven in or captured our pickets on the left of the line of the infantry of the army, the enemy charged across Cedar creek at the ford, and very soon after on the bridge over said stream, and reached the side of the hill and breastworks occupied by Thoburn's division, of the Eighth army corps—Crook's. The rebels hesitated not, but pressed on, in a dashing cataract, over all barriers, completely surprising, and in a measure stampeding, the left of General Sheridan's line. By this means the enemy gained some artillery, I believe the Fourteenth Pennsylvania battery and some pieces of a regular battery. The suddenness of the attack and its wonderful success for a short time bewildered the troops so assailed. Many of them were taken prisoners, but by far the greater portion got away, and with their arms.—The other division of Crook's corps, which was absent some time in Kirby, did so, and was soon joined in line by the remaining portion of Thoburn's division. All this while the enemy kept pressing on and pouring in upon our most a rapid and destructive fire—a fire from musketry as also from artillery posted up the hills on the opposite side of Cedar creek.

Having directed a column against Crook's forces, the enemy quickly turned his battalions toward the right of [illegible]

[illegible]

As soon as the fight was the cause [illegible] of Cedar Creek, [illegible] commanding position on the opposite side of the creek.

As soon as the fight commenced, and it was known here the left had [illegible] of reserve artillery [illegible] Sheridan, who was [illegible] to the field, [illegible] position, and [illegible] was over, got out a quantity of [illegible] quietly.

The enemy, during the [illegible] of his successful advance upon the left, [illegible] and [illegible] of our troops, [illegible] and [illegible] Cedar creek, [illegible] our line was essentially [illegible] and [illegible] long time.

The enemy, during the [illegible] of his success, [illegible] with great persistency.

[The correspondent does not state the cause of the movement. Which "side persisted" in the fight which gave importance or public interest to it.]

Several days ago the Sixth corps was sent to Rocky Royal. The rumor then became prominent that it was about moving to reinforce General Grant, and this rumor reached the enemy's earthworks. Some deserters from the rebel army came in, and communicated the fact to their chiefs. The enemy, fearful of the approach, [illegible] with great persistency.